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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-7. Cancelled

8. (Previously Presented) A method for creating a data structure for storing ink comprising the steps of:

receiving at least one stroke;  
creating a table of at least one property block;  
associating an index with said at least one stroke, said at least one stroke including an index to said at least one property block; and  
ordering said at least one stroke with other strokes and said index so as to minimize the size of said data structure.

9-14. Cancelled.

15. (New) The method according to claim 8, further comprising the steps of:  
adding a default property to said table; and  
adding another property to said table.

16. (New) A computer-readable medium having a program stored thereon, said program for creating a data structure for storing ink, said program comprising the steps of:

receiving at least one stroke;  
creating a table of at least one property block;  
associating an index with said at least one stroke, said at least one stroke including an index to said at least one property block; and

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ordering said at least one stroke with other strokes and said index so as to minimize the size of said data structure.

17. (New) The computer-readable medium according to claim 16, said program further comprising the steps of:

adding a default property to said table; and

adding another property to said table.

18. (New) A system for creating a data structure for storing ink, said system comprising:

means for receiving at least one stroke;

means for creating a table of at least one property block;

means for associating an index with said at least one stroke, said at least one stroke including an index to said at least one property block; and

means for ordering said at least one stroke with other strokes and said index so as to minimize the size of said data structure.

19. (New) The system according to claim 18, said system further comprising:

means for adding a default property to said table; and

means for adding another property to said table.